GRADE 1: EXPLANATION OF ACADEMIC CODE

4 Exceeds Standards	3 Meets Standards	2 Works Toward Standards	1 Performs Below Standards
Consistently expands upon standards for grade level	Consistently achieves standards for grade level	Meets some standards for grade level	Seldom meets standards for grade level
Applies higher level thinking to expand knowledge, skills, vocabulary and strategies	Understands and applies knowledge, skills, vocabulary and strategies	Sometimes understands and applies knowledge, skills, vocabulary and strategies	Seldom understands and applies knowledge, skills, vocabulary and strategies
Applies problem solving skills to new situations	Demonstrates problem solving skills	Sometimes demonstrates problem solving skills	Seldom demonstrates problem solving skills

GRADE 1: EXPLANATION OF STANDARDS

MATHEMATICS - The student will...

Problem Solving and Reasoning

- use appropriate and efficient strategies to solve problems
- explain one's thinking and describe a strategy that leads to a correct answer

Number Sense

- understand that numbers are organized by groups of tens
- identify, count, write, group, and compare numbers through 100

Number Sentences/Basic Facts

• create and solve basic story problems using addition and subtraction facts through ten

Measurement

use objects or tools to measure and compare length, weight, volume, time and coins

Geometry

• identify, draw, describe and sort geometric figures (e.g. circle, rectangle, triangle)

Patterns

recognize, describe, extend, create and translate (copy with different materials) patterns

Recording and Interpreting Data

- investigate, identify and describe various forms (e.g. counting, tally marks) of collecting information (data)
- use simple graphs to get information and make decisions

Mental Math

- use efficient, flexible and accurate ways to mentally solve number problems with basic facts
- recall basic addition and subtraction facts through ten

ORAL LANGUAGE - The student will...

- participate in a variety of listening and speaking activities
- speak in complete sentences
- change oral language to fit the situation

READING - The student will...

Phonetic Principles

- identify and use individual sounds in spoken words
- blend beginning, middle and ending sounds to recognize and read words
- use word patterns to read words, including simple compound words (e.g. into, baseball)

Vocabulary

- read high frequency sight words (words such as "of" and "does" that appear often in writing)
- use context clues (e.g. pictures, surrounding text) to determine the meaning of words

Comprehension

- use pictures and titles to make and confirm predictions
- ask and answer questions about the story
- · retell stories and events
- · reread and self-correct errors
- identify the main idea and parts of a story

Fluency

read aloud with expression, accuracy and comprehension

WRITING - The student will...

Components of the Writing Process

- learn to put thoughts down in writing
- participate in the writing process (prewriting, writing, revising, editing, publishing) through teacher directed activities
- use previous experiences to generate ideas and focus on one topic in a piece of writing

Communicates Ideas

use descriptive words to create pictures in the reader's mind when writing

Mechanics and Usage

- use complete sentences (usage) when writing
- use capitalization and punctuation (mechanics)

Spelling

- use correct spelling for high frequency sight words and words with familiar spelling patterns when writing
- blend beginning, middle and ending sounds to spell age and grade appropriate words when writing

SCIENCE - The student will...

Concepts, Facts, Principles and Vocabulary

• demonstrate an understanding of motion, matter (water mixtures), plants, animals, weather, natural resources (e.g. water, soil), the sun and earth

Recording and Interpreting Scientific Data

 use one's senses and simple tools to predict, observe and explain the results of simple experiments

SOCIAL STUDIES - The student will...

History

 distinguish between past and present, describe the contributions of American leaders and the reasons for celebrating Columbus Day, Presidents' Day and Independence Day

Geography

- recognize and use map symbols and cardinal directions (North, South, East, West) to create a simple map
- locate the United States, Virginia, Richmond and Washington, D.C.
- study location, climate and physical surroundings

Economics

learn about goods, services, money and savings

Civics

learn about American symbols, traits of a good citizen and communities in Virginia